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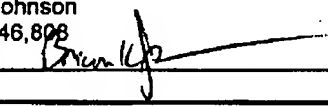
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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This Response is provided in response to the OFFICIAL ACTION mailed August 21, 2007 ("Official Action") the shortened statutory period for reply for which expired November 21, 2007. A petition for a three-month extension of time is hereby submitted with this Response extending the response period to and including February 21, 2008.

Applicant also submits an authorization for credit card payment (via Form PTO-2038) for the fees associated with the filing of this Response. This credit card authorization should be used first to provide the filing fees required for this submission. Failing the payment of the necessary and authorized fees via credit card, Applicant hereby authorizes the PTO to charge any and all necessary fees due and owing, in whole or in part, or provide reimbursements of excessive fees paid, to deposit account No. 50-1886.

Comments regarding changes to the drawings and abstract are set forth on page 3.

Comments regarding changes to the specification are set forth on pages 4-7.

A listing of claims is set forth on pages 8-13.

A patent application fee determination record (Form PTO/SB/06) is attached for use in determining that no new claim fees are required for the new claims in this application.

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Remarks are set forth on pages 14-17.

Applicant believes no further extensions of time are necessary, however, if extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-1886. Applicant hereby authorizes the PTO to charge any other and all necessary fees due, or provide reimbursements of excessive fees paid, to deposit account No. 50-1886.